**Thousand Oaks Neighborhood Association Board**

**MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday, July 17, 2019 – 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM; **Location**: Home of Marsey Kahn

Board Members

Mary Bitter, Ted Earle, Marian Heinkel, Sam Ho, Abhishek Joshi, Marsey Kahn

**Check-In: 7:12 p.m.**

**Adoption of the Agenda**

8:45 pm- Motion to Adopt Agenda- Mary

2nd by Marsey

In Favor 6, Against 0, Abstain 0

**Approval of May 15, 2019 Meeting Minutes**

8:45 pm- Motion to Approve Minutes (with deletion of Personal detail from Treasury Report) - Abhishek

2nd by Ted

In Favor 6, Against 0, Abstain 0

1. **Committees Update (membership, roles and responsibilities, meetings)**
2. **Crime & Safety**

Nothing officially to report

 Unofficially,Nextdoor is reporting things about

Dog Walker Meeting 7/18/19

Things happening on our Woodland Area Trail

3 Guys heading into Park; They looked suspicious? What is

 suspicious?

Fire on the 4th Of July in Thousand Oaks Neighborhood (End of

 Thousand Oaks- Homeless Encampment)

Communication Hill Fire- Homeless Encampment

Communication Hill Stolen Property

Potential New Issue- Need to gather more information about Proposed Connector between Creek and Thousand Oaks neighborhood. Will address upon gathering of facts.

1. **Park Preservation & Development**

•San Jose Parks Foundation Summer Soiree 8/15/19, 5:30-7:30pm

 Major annual fundraiser

Finger foods, desserts, wine, beer, water

Mayor Liccardo will speak

Tables, chairs, shade cover will be provided

Must purchase ticket (donation)

•Consulting firm of H.T. Harvey contracted with City of San Jose

 All trees in both parks have been tagged, assessed, and mapped

 A new map will be generated, along with a health/structure assessment of each tree

 Once approved, both parks will be designated a Heritage Grove

 H.T. Harvey will make recommendations for future care/improvements in the park

 PRNS personnel will make a presentation at the October 16 general meeting

 Community input will be heard for park improvements

 Most urgent need is new benches/trash cans

•Bambi Larson Memorial Bench

 Bench has been installed

 Late donation today brings total to $6015

 After expenses, remainder will be donated to a charity (as yet undetermined)

 Dedication ceremony, Saturday, July 20, 11:00am

 Invitations were mailed to all donors

 Neighborhood was invited via email

 Thank you, Marian, for sending out a reminder today

 Anne Flemmer and Councilmember Pam Foley will be speakers

1. **Community Events** (July, August)

**National Night Out- Tuesday, August 6th 5:30-8:00**

 Same Food Truck as last year

 Cost will be $7.00 per plate; we will charge $10/plate

 Still need help with Table coverage, need new ideas on how to get Volunteers

 Need to space out reminder emails

 Insurance is being handled by Terri Guest

1. **4th of July Parade**

 Parade was a huge success

Eight floats in the parade/dozens of classic cars

 Recruiting John Flemmer as Safety Captain improved parade lineup immensely

Big Mike and the Hartbeats kept things lively

 Wienerschnitzel sold out – they’d like to try adding chili dogs next year

 Donations reached an all-time high - $3095.

 Parade committee critique meeting to be held in late August

 Preparing for next year’s 30th year celebration

 Karen & Paul Iott were very grateful for the donation to Volunteer Honor Guard

Firefighters’ thank you gift was delivered on July 15- They loved it!

Suggestion to Improve Parade

 Safety Zone (Downswick/Normington)

 Publish Winners of Floats and Apple Pie Contest

1. **Urban Development –** “Foot Bridge” from Almaden Ranch to Chynoweth in Erikson Neighborhood? Guadalupe River Trail Plan?

Footbridge - Idea on hold or at least slowed down because of Controversy surrounding increase crime near Almaden Ranch.

1. **General Meetings** (October 16 Meeting Planning)

Begin process of Recruiting new Board members

President- Replace (Potentially by Ted ??)

Replacement of Recording Secretary

 Sam to move to Vice President

 Mary to move to Member at Large

 Email: to go out asking for volunteers in August

 Coordinated effort to find new members

Speakers/Topics

 Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services

 What to do with remaining Money

 Election

 Pam Foley- Come to Speak

1. Discussion/Action Items
2. **Treasury** (Abhishek)
3. Revenue, Expenses, and Balance (please provide spreadsheet report?)

**Account Number TONA Account**

**4th of July Funds 5538.12**

**Community Events Funds 1024.62**

**General Funds 1274.39**

**BSJF 2244.69**

**BLMBF 3426.77**

**Total Balance 13508.59**

1. **Communication**

Website: Sam would like to help with Website

Emails: Marian sends out a lot of emails to more than 400 email addresses

New Idea: Neighborhood Meet and Greets (smaller groupings put on by pockets

of neighbors.)

1. **BeautifySJ Project Update** (Marsey & Sam)

**& Preparation** for Cycle 3 Grant Application due Aug. 13, 2019

This month sending Annual fee of $200

Project Ideas for upcoming Grant Proposal Deadline?

 Issue: Constraints surrounding Spending timing limits usage

 Board Members to think about ideas and email Sam with ideas and estimates

 for costs

Sam will create draft proposal for Grant $ using Board Member ideas.

1. **UNSCC Membership** per BeautifySJ Grant

$200 paid with Last year’s Grant Money

1. **“District 9 Leadership Group**” Update (Sam)

*Gina Tibaldi will be the Speaker*

311 does not work well

Shortage of Police Coverage

Increase Traffic Patrol (Red Light Runners)

Car Theft (7000 per year- 30% not locked

SJ Fire Department- 100,000 calls in 2019

1. **Other**

**n/a**

**Next Meeting(s)? - October 16 at Pearl Library (**3rd Wednesdays, odd months, 7**-**8:30 PM)

Next Meeting will be the General Meeting on October 16th @ Pearl Library

Mary has already booked the Pearl Library for the General Meeting from 5:00 to 9:00 pm

Meeting is scheduled from 7:00 to 8:30 pm

**Adjournment**

8:45 pm- Motion to Adjourn Meeting Mary

2nd by Ted

In Favor 5, Against 0, Abstain 0 (Abhishek had to leave early)